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## TRIUMPH FOR THE AMERICANS

German Campaign of Slander Against the Deutsche Vacuum Oil Company Fails.

Berlin.—The long and venomous campaign waged by German newspapers and rival industrial interests against one of the German branches of the Standard Oil company—the Deutsche Vacuum Oil company—has just been brought to a victorious end for the Americans involved.

A well-known Hamburg newspaper for months printed such a series of attacks on the "American graft methods" alleged to have been practiced by the vacuum company in the conduct of its German business that the public prosecutor of Hamburg felt constrained to make an official investigation with a view to eventual indictments. The prosecutor has now concluded his investigation, especially of the work of E. L. Quarles, American manager of the German company's sales department, and announces that no necessity exists for pursuing the inquiry further.

No evidence of anything warranting prosecution was found against Mr. Quarles, and the costs of the entire inquiry will be borne by the state.

The result of the investigation constitutes a notable triumph for American interests in Germany.

It is not the first time that Germans, finding themselves unable to compete with Americans on ordinary terms, have resorted to slander.

## A BILLION DOLLAR SESSION

It is Probable That Congress Has Appropriated \$1,054,000,000 During Session Just Closed.

Washington, D. C.—More than \$1,000,000,000 was appropriated at the present session of congress, if continuing appropriations are incorporated in the totals of the general appropriation measure.

Insofar as the figures could be obtained, from measures which underwent changes in the last hour of the session the total of the appropriation exclusive of continuing appropriations was \$894,086, 943.

The amount of continuing appropriations for the last fiscal year about \$160,000,000. It is safe to say that it will not be less for the next fiscal year, and the grand total therefore will aggregate at least \$1,054,000,000.

The appropriation measures for the fiscal years 1909-10, exclusive of continuing appropriations, carried \$833, 918,215, while those of the fiscal year of 1908-09 carried \$854,203,248.

## DIAZ IS STILL PRESIDENT

With His Opponent in Jail the President of Mexico Had Little Difficulty.

Mexico City, Mexico.—Gen. Porfirio Diaz was re-elected president of Mexico and Ramon Corral vice-president by an overwhelming majority, according to returns received here from all over the country.

The anti-re-electionists ticket headed by Francisco I. Madero, now under arrest in San Luis Potosi, received about 2 per cent of the vote cast in Mexico City, according to an unofficial statement.

## AIRSHIP TICKETS IN NEW YORK

Americans Can Engage Their Passage From Dusseldorf to Baden Before Leaving Home.

New York, N. Y.—Tickets by the air line between Dusseldorf and Baden, Germany, good only on the Zeppelin dirigible Deutschland, will be placed on sale here this week.

The Deutschland recently made a remarkable flight from Friedrichshafen to Dusseldorf. It is the first airship to attempt a regular passenger service.

### Majority Want Roosevelt.

New York, N. Y.—The World's work has been making a poll of its subscribers on the question as to whether they wanted Theodore Roosevelt to become president again. Out of 375 answers received, 292, coming from every state in the Union, expressed the wish that Mr. Roosevelt should run again for the presidency.

### Minnesota Republicans Nominate.

St. Paul, Minnesota.—The following nomination were made by the Republican convention here. For governor A. B. Eberhart; attorney general, George T. Simpson; secretary of state, Julius Schnabel; member of the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners, Charles F. Staples.



## GORE CHARGES TO BE PROBED

BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS APPOINTED COMMITTEES.

Demand for Investigation Was Made by McGuire in the House—Long a Party at Interest.

Washington, D. C.—Both houses of congress at almost the same moment adopted resolutions providing for investigations growing out of the charges made by Senator Gore on the floor of the senate.

There are to be separate committees of five members each, appointed by the presiding officers, but it was noted that, while there is an appropriation made for the expenses of the house committee, no such provision is made for the senate committee.

The investigation was forced by Bird S. McGuire, member of the house from Oklahoma, who had handed to chairman Tawney of the house appropriations committee the amendment to the general deficiency appropriation bill which led to Senator Gore's sensational charges.

The speaker appointed as members of the committee Burke, Campbell, Miller of Minnesota, Stevens of Texas and Saunders of Virginia.

While the debate was on in the house Hughes of Colorado, offered a resolution in the senate for an investigation. Carter presented a statement from ex-Senator John M. Thurston asking for investigation of his connection with the matter. He made it appear that he only represented ex-Senator Long of Kansas. The Hughes resolution, which is incomplete and seems to have been hastily drawn, was adopted without comment.

The senate committee is made up of Jones of Washington, Burton of Ohio, Crawford of South Dakota, Hughes of Colorado and Pery of Mississippi.

## OIL FUMES CHASE MOSQUITOES

A Marked Effect Has Been Noted in New Jersey Where the Roads Were Treated.

Orange, New Jersey.—The annual reports of the state highway commissioners declare that oiling of roads to lay dust has had a marked effect on the famous Jersey mosquitoes, at least in this section of the state, driving them away from the residential districts and confining them to tracts where the roads are not treated frequently with the oil preparations.

The smoke and gases from passing motor cars also have their effect, it is said, re-enforcing the fumes of the road oil in driving back the pests.

### Standard Reduces Oil Prices.

New York.—The wholesale prices for refined oil have been reduced from one and one-half cents to one cent a gallon by the Standard Oil company, making the prevailing price throughout the country now seven and one-half cents a gallon. The standard controls more than seventy per cent of the refined output of the country and it can readily be seen what such a reduction in prices mean to the great corporation.

### Exports to Europe Decreased.

Washington, D. C.—Exports of the United States to other countries of the Western Hemisphere in 11 months of the current fiscal year increased \$85,000,000 over the preceding corresponding period. Exports to the Eastern Hemisphere for the same period decreased \$14,000,000.

## THE TENANTS GET THE HOMES

By the Terms of His Will Charles Ohems of Topeka Made 20 Families Happy.

Topeka, Kansas.—By the suicide of Charles Ohems, a wealthy property owner of this city, 20 tenants are made the owners of homes on the payment of two dollars. Elizabeth C. Ohems, of Ekridge, Kan., an only daughter, is cut off with \$5 and William C. Ohems, an only son, whose residence in Oklahoma is not definitely known, is made an executor of the estate. Ohems, who lived at 715 Chestnut street, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. He was 70 years old.

A will neatly written out in detail was found. The terms of the document is one of the strangest ever on record. The only conditions which a tenant had to fulfill to become the possessor of a beautiful home was that he should have lived continuously for a period of three years in one of the rented houses and at the death of Ohems should not be in arrears with his rent.

## PASSED THE STATEHOOD BILL

Senate Voted Unanimously to Admit New Mexico and Arizona—To Conference Soon.

Washington, D. C.—The Beveridge bill granting statehood to New Mexico and Arizona passed the senate by unanimous vote of all the senators present. There were 65 ayes and no negative votes. The house passed a statehood bill early in the session and this bill is a substitute, the chief difference being a matter relating to the exercise of the right of franchise. The bill prohibits the state's providing an educational qualification for voting.

The statehood bills will soon be in conference and the Republicans assured the Democrats on the floor of the senate that they will be given a fair chance in conference.

## MR. GORE CHARGES BRIBERY

The Blind Oklahoma Senator Says He Was Offered \$25,000 to Stop Objections.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Thomas P. Gore, the blind senator from Oklahoma, made the sensational charge in the senate that he had been approached with a bribe of \$25,000 which might be raised to \$50,000 if he would withdraw objection to attorneys claims for sale of lands belonging to the five civilized tribes of Oklahoma.

Senator Gore asserted that these attorneys were playing for a mighty stake, namely ten per cent of the revenues of the sale of these wealth-bearing lands, which would aggregate at least \$3,000,000 and might reach \$6,000,000.

### This May Be a Real Gusher.

Okmulgee, Oklahoma.—Alexander Preston, who found the Preston oil pool, six miles north of Okmulgee, announced that he struck oil two miles west of town. The well flowed for a time shooting over the top of a 72-foot derrick. It has not been drilled in and it is not known what its daily production will be.

Washington, D. C.—By the terms of a bill passed by the senate the last vestige of the tribal organization of the Indians of the five civilized tribes will cease in 1912.

The bill abolishes all offices now except the chief executive of each tribe and they go out in 1912.

## WICKERSHAM TO STUDENTS

WANTS DECISION ON THE BIG TRUST CASES SOON.

Hopes Principles May Be So Clearly Stated as to Protect Against Evils of Monopoly.

Boston, Massachusetts.—Describing the growth of federal power over interstate commerce through the action of congress and of the supreme court, and telling his hearers how to acquire the best equipment for the practical work of a lawyer's life. Attorney General Wickersham spoke before the Harvard Law School association. He took as his subject, "The Relation of Legal Education to Governmental Problems."

"The full significance of the attempt to check the growth of great combinations and monopolies," he said, "was scarcely perceived at the time of the enactment of the Sherman anti-trust law until successive interpretations of it had been given by the supreme court." He expressed his regret that the crippled condition of that court had prevented a decision in the Standard Oil and Tobacco trust cases at the last term, saying:

"It is greatly to be desired that they may be decided at an early date and that the principles of the decision may be so clearly laid down as to afford a practicable standard of conduct which, while securely protecting against the inevitable evils of great monopoly, and deliberate attempts to arbitrarily fix prices and stifle competition, will yet leave untrampled avenues for the legitimate development and our domestic and foreign commerce."

## NO FEDERAL INTERVENTION

Oklahoma Must Fight Out Its Capital Location Battle in State Courts First.

Guthrie, Oklahoma.—With the assurance that the federal government will not interfere in the capital removal case until the power of the state courts has been exhausted, Attorney General West began argument on a second demurrer to Judge Huston's injunction restraining the removal of the books and records of the state to Oklahoma City.

In case the demurrer is not sustained Attorney West intends to apply to the state supreme court for a writ of prohibition to prevent further interference of the district court.

The announcement that there will be no federal intervention followed the return of Judge John H. Buford from Chicago, where he conferred with Attorney General Wickersham Saturday.

## TELEPHONE COMPANIES FINED

A Mississippi Court Assesses the Talk Trust \$175,000 for Violating Anti-Trust Law.

Water Valley, Mississippi.—The Jumberland Telephone and Telegraph company was found guilty of violating the state anti-trust law by Judge J. T. Blunt in the chancery court here and a fine of \$175,000 was imposed.

The company was charged with entering into a contract with the Oxford Telephone company in Marshall county for the purpose of shutting off competition. The case will be appealed.

### Teddy May Head Commission.

Washington, D. C.—It is expected that former President Roosevelt will be named by President Taft as chairman of the commission authorized by the joint resolution of congress to report to congress the plans for permanent and world-wide peace.

### Failed to Settle Strike.

Kansas City, Mo.—After a day of deadlock was reached between the miners and the operators the prospects of an early settlement of the strike in the southwestern fields has become remote.

## SHIPPERS OF WICHITA TO SUE

They Want Overpayments Made on Freight Rates Pending a Court Appeal Refunded.

Wichita, Kansas.—Wichita shippers are preparing a suit before the Interstate Commerce commission for the recovery of \$30,000, overpaid the railroads in freight pending a supreme court decision. Certain lower freight rates were ordered two years ago, but the railroads appealed the case to the United States supreme court. The decision was handed down recently and the lower rates affirmed.

### Dry Dock Dewey ReFlooded.

Manila.—The dry dock Dewey was reflooded, apparently undamaged by its long submersion. A board is now engaged in a careful inspection of the dock to determine the cause of its sinking. The Dewey, which was towed here from the United States, sank May 24.

## A TRAIN LOAD OF TOBACCO.

Twenty-four Carloads Purchased for Lewis' Single Binder Cigar Factory.

What is probably the biggest lot of all fancy grade tobacco held by any factory in the United States has just been purchased by Frank P. Lewis, of Peoria, for the manufacture of Lewis' Single Binder Cigars. The lot will make twenty-four carloads, and is selected from what is considered by experts to be the finest crop raised in many years. The purchase of tobacco is sufficient to last the factory more than two years. An extra price was paid for the selection. Smokers of Lewis' Single Binder Cigars will appreciate this tobacco.

—Peoria Star, January 16, 1909.

### Coming in Relays.

Twins were born to Mrs. O'Brien. When the first one was born the nurse called Jimmy and said:

"Tell your aunt to come right over. The stork has brought you a little brother."

The aunt could not come over immediately. In a half hour the nurse called Jimmy again and said:

"Run over and tell auntie the stork has brought you another brother."

Jimmy ran to his aunt's house and said:

"Auntie, the stork has brought another brother. I wonder how many he will bring before night."

## ROUTT COUNTY, COLORADO, LAND BOOM PREDICTED.

Keen observers predict a big boom in property in Wantland, Colorado, the new town which is being built in the center of the Little Snake River Valley in Routt County, Colorado. A big irrigation system is being built to irrigate 60,000 acres of very fine land surrounding Wantland. The land is being sold by the State of Colorado for 50 cents per acre, under the Carey Act, and water rights cost \$35.00 an acre, in ten year payments. Sugar factories, flour mills, canneries, etc., are among the possible industries to be located at Wantland. Full information can be obtained from the Routt County Colonization Company, 1734 Welton St., Denver, Colo.

### Awful Prospect.

One day recently a clergyman was performing a marriage ceremony at the parsonage in the presence of his little son. The boy listened very attentively while his father pronounced the couple husband and wife, then going to his mother he said:

"Mamma, when a man marries a woman, must he live with her?"

"Yes, dear," his mother replied.

The boy was thoughtful for a moment and then said:

"Mamma, must papa live with all the women he has married?"

## A Trained Nurse's Experiences with Resinol Ointment.

I applied Resinol to an ulcerated leg of six months' standing. Almost everything had been tried to heal it. Made two applications a day for four weeks and leg was permanently healed.

I have used Resinol on children's faces to heal eruptions and for every thing that seemed to need an ointment with satisfactory results in every case.

Mrs. Isadore E. Cameron, Augusta, Me. (Graduated Nurse.)

### Tongue Twister Thimplied.

"Some of these tongue twisters are really very hard to enunciate, for instance: 'The sea ceaseth, and it suffeeth us.'"

"That's eathly thaid," lithply thimled Mithth Elithabeth. "You thimply thay it tho: 'The thea theatheth, and it thuffeth uth!'"—Life.

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